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Applicants : Bartholomaeus et al  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

Applicant respectfully calls to the Examiner's attention the amended set of  
claims that are attached to the application.

Applicant respectfully requests that the claims be amended, without  
prejudice, without admission, without surrender of subject matter, and without any  
intention of creating any estoppel as to equivalents, as follows: